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REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, Applicant's representative would like to thank Examiner Sweet for the helpful suggestions regarding responding to this Notice during the teleconference on April 6, 2006.

With regard to the Notice's comments relating to the non-compliant amendment to the specification at page 23, per Examiner Sweet's suggestion, Applicant has amended the specification to cancel the figure. This figure is actually now presented as Figure 3, as submitted in the response dated December 27, 2005. Thus, the specification is now in compliance with the requirements of the Notice.

With regard to the Notice's comments relating to the print quality of the substituted drawing, Examiner Sweet indicated that Applicant can replace the drawing with a better one upon the notice of allowability of the pending claims.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and an early Office Action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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